## 2<sup>ND</sup> DEGREE COMPARISONS: "NOT... BUT" Text: Matthew 6:19-20

INTRO: In our common speech we usually express 2<sup>nd</sup> degree comparisons by using a word such as "better," "worse," "taller," "shorter," etc. Tho such words are also used in the N.T., a common Biblical way of expressing the 2<sup>nd</sup> degree is to compare two things in such a way as to say, "not one thing, but the other" should be done or emphasized. Modern examples: not whether you win or lose; not the money but the principle…

- I. MATTHEW 6:19-20.
- II. JOHN 6:27. Compare 2 Thess 2:10; Eph 4:28
- III. I CORINTHIANS 1:17. Compare vs. 14, 16.
- IV. I PETER 3:3-4. Compare 1 Tim. 2:8-13.
- V. 2 CORINTHIANS 8:8. Compare 1 Cor 16:1-3.
- VI. JOHN 20:17. Song, vs. 1: JN 19:41 thru 20:1 Vs 2, JN 20:11-16 Vs 3, JN 20:17-18

Butler St., Springhill, LA, October 28, 1973 Haynesville, LA, February 23, 1975 La Porte, TX, August 17, 1975 Red Bluff Rd., Pasadena, TX, January 15, 1978 Bible Camp, Sabinal, TX, June 22, 1978 Shiloh, Mexia, TX, December 18, 1991 Imhoff Ave., Port Arthur, TX, August 5, 1993 (meeting) Wrightseville, PA, July 31, 1994 (meeting) Northside, Georgetown, TX, October 2, 1994 (lectureship) La Porte, TX, March 30, 1997 (meeting) Westview, Athens, AL, April 13, 1997 (meeting) Alief, TX, March 4, 1990 (meeting) Avondale, PA, April 11, 1999 Waterville, ME, Dec 23, 2001 (meeting) Loop 304, Crockett, TX, May 5, 2002 (meeting) Shiloh, Mexia, TX, May 19, 2002

Milton, VT, June 23, 2002 (meeting)
Dexter, ME, August 4, 2002 (meeting)
E. 6<sup>th</sup> St., Stillwater, OK, September 29, 2002 (meeting)
Rice Rd., Tyler, TX, October 6, 2002 (meeting)
Taylors, SC, March 16, 2003 (meeting)
Susquehanna, Marietta, PA, February 20, 2005